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Horrible Poisoning Case in New York—A Step-Mother Accused of Murdering her

A correspondent of the New York Tribune thus writes from Medford, N. Y., on the 10th inst.: "On the 28th of April, a slight illness of a physician was announced, and removed to a serious disease. The patient rapidly grew worse."

the 11th May, and then died. She was buried in a day or two, but the suspicions of the neighbors caused the body to be exhumed and reburied in a vault.

The jury held several long sessions and examined many witnesses, including several members of the family of the deceased. A test, on the 23d ult., the following verdict was rendered:

That Elizabeth Ann McCroney came to her death by arsenical poison; and that such poison was *willfully and feloniously* administered by the hand of Elizabeth P. McCroney.

Elizabeth P. McCroney so openly admitted her guilt, that she was not brought to trial. She was a woman of about 55 years of age, the deceased. She is about 55 years of age, a woman of unusually brilliant, not to say dashing, appearance, showing that she once possessed rather a

She was one of the witnesses at the inquest at which her husband's death was given in a very calm and her testimony was given in a very calm

and collective manner, though from some distance, as the spectators were told by the police. The woman, who was dressed in a dark, patterned dress and a dark hat, was maintained by a severe effort. Her second husband, Mr. Baker, whose death was just now alluded to, was a resident of this county, and the fact adds to the excitement prevalent here.

Miss McCroney has already stated that Hindah McCroney is the seventh person who has been accused of poisoning. She was conveyed to jail on last Sunday morning, where she will remain till the time of her next trial, which will be on Monday next. Evidence has not yet been made public which points with much clearness to the motive for this last deed, but the skin was probably be unraveled before long. In the minds of those who know the accused, the motive is not far from being ascertained.

Not a shadow of doubt that she is guilty, an ally of unnatural cruelty; for the testimony before the Coroner appeared to show that she had daily administered poison while pretending to nurse the daughter she was murdering.

A New York Firm in a Quandary.

A New York paper says that in January last a firm in that city imported a lot of plate glass, which they entered at the Customhouse at about \$4,400. The appraisers set its value at upward of \$7,000. From this appraisal the importers appealed, and, after a new appraisal by merchants it was cut down to \$2,400. Thereupon the collector refused to permit to forfeit the glass for undervaluation.

The importers applied to the District

the goods and take them, and offered to do so, and the collector refused to take them. The goods should choose, not the District Attorney, and they must have new appraisers appointed by the Court, under the statute, to get at the amount for which to give bonds. After some delay appraisers were appointed by the Court, and the value at \$4,000, being less than the invoice value.

The importers gave their bonds, and went to the collector to pay the duties, and were told that they must give bonds for their goods. But the collector knew nothing about the goods, and said that he would take the duties, or let them have their goods without giving bonds to the highest appraisal amount. The appraisers applied to the Court to help them, but the Court had no power to give them their goods, and so verification of the invoice value was a veritable impossibility.

RECEPTIONS IN ROME.—Harriet Beecher Stowe says in her last letter: "Reception in Rome was the finest and most agreeable possible. As so many are sojourning together in a strange land, there is all the kindness of freedom of a continual journey or picnic. One discusses about one's rooms, one's table, one's bread and butter, one's chairs, and one says every thing that old women say in a parlour. One tastes your tea and pronounces it excellent, and asks you where you got it, and delightedly imparts to you the return the grand secret of a supper where you can get English things. Old residents begin their remarks on a gathering with an

dishe out of the possibilities of Italian kitchen. Fish-balls and corn-cake, for example, have been spoken of at certain breakfasts. Rome is said to be a great place for the "gossip" of the day, and the reader's experience of the kind, but from the nature of the case. Gossip is generally the fruit of sociability. If you tell about your neighbors much, you will be sure to hear about them. It was to this, and not to the "gossip" which is so much talked about by Mr. A., and surmising about Mr. B., which does no harm, unless it becomes charitable."

and goldsmiths' Company, and then arrived with his mistress, Clara, when they came across the new and very beautiful tapestries which are here preserved. No other person can open this mysterious door, or admit of the secrets that lie behind. And a gloomy, murky, low-browed den it is after all. The very walls are covered with the portraits of Queen Elizabeth's reign, and the tanning drawers labeled in the handwriting of "Patience Master Agarde." The windows are doubly gazed. To prevent the chance from taking them away, they were covered with glass to protect the tapestries. The principle of shutting the door after the last had been stolen, subsequent to the loss of £100,000, laid up prudently by Edward the Scottish war—a precedent worth following, by members of the Chancery of Exchequer, and all drawers of the door.

DEATH FROM HATING TWO HUNDRED
TREES.—A man reading at Letherville, in
Ware County, Pennsylvania, died a few
days ago, from the effects of eating 200 cherry
trees. It is reported that he ate a half-
peck of cherries the same day.

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